

COURT OPINION ON OIL LEASE IS TROUBLESOME

Owner of Land May Dispose of Surface Rights to One Person and Underground Rights to Another.

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEADER WIRE)
The Supreme Court today rendered its opinion in the case of *Wheeler & Langley v. United States*, which was argued last week. The opinion is a long one, and is expected to be a landmark decision in the history of oil and gas rights.

The opinion upholds the right of the owner of land to dispose of the surface rights to one person and the underground rights to another. This is a significant decision, as it allows landowners to separate the two types of rights and sell them to different parties. This is particularly important in the oil and gas industry, where the surface rights are often sold to farmers or ranchers, while the underground rights are sold to oil companies.

The opinion also states that the owner of the land has the right to lease the surface rights to one person and the underground rights to another. This is a significant decision, as it allows landowners to maximize the value of their land by leasing the different rights to different parties. This is particularly important in the oil and gas industry, where the surface rights are often leased to farmers or ranchers, while the underground rights are leased to oil companies.

FORD TO CONTINUE JOURNEY THURSDAY

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Mr. Ford will continue his journey on Thursday, according to reports from his camp. He is expected to reach his destination by Friday. Ford has been on a journey since last week, and has been traveling through the mountains. He is expected to reach his destination by Friday.

Construction Engineer Dies.
Alameda, Calif., Dec. 21.—Alfred W. Swannell, civil engineer, who has been engaged on the construction of the Alameda Central railroad for the United States government, died today at his home here. He was 64 years old. He had been engaged on the construction of the railroad for several years.



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OBREGON RUSHES STRONG FORCE TO FIGHT THE YAQUIS

One American Ranch, Defended by Owner and Five Injured German Seamen, Is Besieged.

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General Obregon, Dec. 21.—General Obregon and his army are rushing a strong force to fight the Yaquis. The Yaquis are a band of rebels who are active in the state of Sonora. They are attacking American ranches and are killing the owners. General Obregon is trying to stop them.

One American ranch, defended by the owner and five injured German seamen, is being besieged by the Yaquis. The ranch is located in the state of Sonora. The Yaquis are attacking the ranch and are trying to kill the owner and the seamen. General Obregon is trying to help them.

A dispatch from the Richardson Construction company states that the military authorities on the ground estimate there are about 1,500 Yaquis in the raiding force and that the Yaqui ranch, and a ranch six miles west of Obregon, on the outskirts of the settlement, operated by two young Americans, Waldo Sheldon and Garret Jones, were completely isolated.

VILLA NEVER TO LEAVE MEXICO, HE TELLS WIFE

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San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 21.—Gen. Francisco Villa has told his wife, Mrs. Lucila de Villa, that he will never leave Mexico. He has been in Mexico for several years and has been fighting the Yaquis. He has been very successful in his fighting and has been making a lot of money. He has been very happy in Mexico and has been very close to his wife.

"I shall never go to the United States," I would like to see you go to the United States, where you have money. I shall spend the remainder of my life in my home mountains with my faithful friends, where my enemies cannot reach me."
This is what Mrs. Villa said tonight when she passed through San Antonio, accompanied by Mrs. Hippolito Villa and ten others, en route to New Orleans. From there she may go to Havana, Cuba.

"General Villa does not expect to go to Los Angeles then?" Mrs. Villa was asked.
"No, he will stay in Mexico."
"Then he will have to remain in hiding?"
"General Villa does not need to hide in Mexico; his enemies are afraid of him, not he of them. General Villa is a soldier, not a coward. My husband is a great man," she said in affectionate and bold tones. "He is not the bad man you Americans think. I know: I have lived with him for twenty-seven years."

RELIEF WORK BADLY NEEDED IN NEAR EAST

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEADER WIRE)
New York, Dec. 21.—The entire relief work in the Near East is badly needed. The situation is very bad and the people are suffering. The relief work is very important and needs to be done as soon as possible.

Cedric Gets Six Months.
London, Dec. 21 (5:12 p. m.).—Cedric Ertan, who was remanded in the Bow street police court December 16 on a charge of unlawfully proposing to deal in large quantities of war materials without a permit, was today sentenced to six months imprisonment.

Edwind, when arrested was described as an American business organizer. Swoon information was produced to show that he was in possession of documents referring to proposals to deal in New York for very large quantities of shells, rifles and machine guns.

New Chief of Detectives.
Chicago, Dec. 21.—Mayor Thompson late today announced that Nicholas Hunt, formerly an inspector in the police department, would be appointed head of the detective bureau. Hunt recently succeeded Chief P. D. O'Brien, recently suspended, but who was reinstated and allowed to resign today. The change is regarded as part of Mayor Thompson's announced campaign to "clean up" Chicago.

HILL LINER TO BE OVERHAULED MOST RADICALLY

No Blame for Failure of Power Plant Is Placed on Individuals Aboard Steamer Minnesota.

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEADER WIRE)
San Francisco, Dec. 21.—New hulls or radical changes in the old ones probably will be provided for in a report to be made by federal authorities investigating the abandonment of the Great Northern Pacific steamer Minnesota. No blame for the failure of the power plant will be placed on the individuals, it was said. The following out of lines in the service, made of the ship will be charged to an absolute abandonment of foreign waters such as left from sea water, dirt and grease, mixed in the tubes. The condition, it was said, might have been caused by faulty construction of expensive machinery by inexperienced men.

A final report on the federal inquiry was prepared today by United States naval inspectors of hulls and boilers, Captain James Guthrie, and Joseph P. Dolan. The report will be reviewed by John K. Halger, supervising inspector of steam vessels. The crew was paid off today.

The Minnesota sailed from Seattle, Wash., November 14, with 16,000 tons of foodstuffs for London. As she passed down the coast Capt. T. W. Garlick sent a wireless message to the people of San Francisco, bidding them farewell and stating that the Minnesota was leaving by the pier for the last time, never to return under the American flag.

It was understood the vessel was to have been sold to a British port.

Three weeks later the vessel had given so much trouble that it was towed to her dock.

SALARIES OF EMPEROR AND PRINCES FIXED

(Associated Press Correspondence)
Peking, Nov. 25.—After the re-establishment of the monarchy, Chinese emperors will receive \$1,500,000 a year. The allowance for a duke will be \$4,500. Marquesses of the first, second and third classes will receive \$4,000, \$3,200, \$2,400 respectively. The allowance to a first class duke will be \$2,000. An earl of the second class will receive \$1,200 and one of the third will be paid only \$1,200 and so on through the lower ranks.

Yuan Shi Kai has issued a mandate addressing the son of the murdered Admiral Tseung Tse-chang as marquis and has ordered the young man to report to Peking for service on the body guard.

Bargain Prices for Bouze.
Iowa City, Ia., Dec. 21.—Bargain counter sales of intoxicating liquors were opened today in the ten sections of Iowa City which must close tomorrow night under a law passed by the last legislature providing that saloons cannot operate within five miles of an educational institution. The University of Iowa is located here.

Search Is Ordered Stopped.
Washington, Dec. 21.—French embassy officials, although lacking official word of the activities of the cruiser Desbarres in West Indian waters, believed today that she had been ordered to cease searching American ships on the high seas, and that no further search or seizure would be made until diplomatic correspondence over the Coamo, Carolina and San Juan incidents is closed.



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OSCAR FIGMAN and ETHEL WILSON in a scene from "A Pair of Sixes," which comes to the Crystal theater next Monday.

TINPLATE INDUSTRY IN WALES PROSPEROUS

(Associated Press Correspondence)
London, Dec. 21.—The Wales tinplate industry was never so prosperous as now. Large orders have come from France, where the tinplate is used in making bombs for trench warfare, and the demand for tin in England is also normal, as tin has been taken from the tinplate mills and sent to a large extent in the tin and tinware trades.

An entirely new line of work has been built up in the tinplate industry of Wales. A branch of the industry that had been captured by Germany prior to the war, Germany bought Welsh tinplate and shipped it to the tinplate mills in Germany, where it was used in making bombs for trench warfare. As well as to the tinplate mills in Germany, it was also used in making bombs for trench warfare. As well as to the tinplate mills in Germany, it was also used in making bombs for trench warfare.

SHREVEPORT RATE CASE DRAWING TO A CLOSE

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEADER WIRE)
Shreveport, La., Dec. 21.—Fishes' case on intervention in the so-called Shreveport rate case finished their testimony today in the hearing before Interstate Commerce Commission Commissioner H. C. Hall, and the end of the hearing came in sight. The case was probably will begin the presentation of their side tomorrow.

Much evidence was offered today by representatives of Fishes on water rates from New York to Shreveport.

SPITZBERGEN COAL IS NOW IN DEMAND

(Associated Press Correspondence)
Christiania, Dec. 12.—The difficulty in getting coal from England and Germany has attracted the Scandinavian countries to Spitzbergen, where enormous coal fields are still intact. The Spitzbergen coal is of the hard variety and steamer in north Norwegian waters are very scarce to use it. It is, however, being rather difficult to keep the mine going—the climate is so disagreeable there that miners and laborers do not care to stay. Navigation is only possible a couple of months after midsummer. American business men, represented through the Arctic Coal company, hold the largest coal claims at Spitzbergen, on the south and east side of Advent Bay. About 50,000 tons of coal were mined there last summer, half of which has gone to Norwegian consumers.

This company, through its director, Scott Turner, is negotiating with Norwegian business men who want to buy the American claim and mines. Besides the American company, Norwegian firms like the Swedish stock exchange, are holding coal claims at Spitzbergen. A great Russian concern has an option on some Norwegian claims located at Green Harbor and is going to work them in order to have coal to supply the new Russian railway coming from Petrograd to Kola Bay. The other Norwegian and Swedish coal companies are not willing to sell at less than prices on the European market are maintained at their present high rate and with no prospect of dropping much the first few years after the close of the war.

FREE POSTAGE ON PACKAGES TO FRENCH SOLDIERS

Up to Two Pounds Government Will Take Christmas Remembrances to Men in Trenches Without Charge.

(BY MORNING JOURNAL SPECIAL LEADER WIRE)
Paris, Dec. 21.—Any one in France may send a Christmas parcel worth the sum of two pounds to a soldier at the front without paying postage on the package. A bill conferring this privilege which makes good Christmas parcels until January 1, was unanimously passed by parliament today. Letters are always carried free.

The families of soldiers have not waited for the passing of this law but have been supplying for some time past the names of friends to the front with Christmas packages. They have sent cold chickens, dried meat, every variety of cake, sweet meat and preserved fruit, and every imaginable thing possible in the way of warming comfort that would keep out wet and cold.

Going Home for Christmas

Probably 100,000 men from the front will spend Christmas with their families. The military administration has been generous with leaves and soldiers are now allowed six days at home, not counting the time of going and coming. Formerly the period was four days.

The American soldiers, Lieut. William E. Thaw, of Pittsburgh, and Sergeant Norman Prince, of Boston, and Sergeant Eliot C. Cowling, of New York, have been allowed eight days in America exclusive of the time for the voyage. They are on board the steamer Rotterdam.

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